## **COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION[283]**

## Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 261.3, the College Student Aid Commission hereby amends Chapter 8, "All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship Program," Iowa Administrative Code.

The adopted amendment modifies the current eligibility requirements for the All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship Program pursuant to Iowa Code section 261.87 as amended by 2009 Iowa Acts, Senate File 470, section 28.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the August 12, 2009, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 8036B**. No comments were received from the public, and the adopted amendment is identical to that published under Notice.

This amendment was adopted during the November 4, 2009, meeting of the Iowa College Student Aid Commission.

This amendment will become effective on January 6, 2010.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 261.87 as amended by 2009 Iowa Acts, Senate File 470, section 28.

The following amendment is adopted.

Amend rule 283—8.3(261) as follows:

## 283—8.3(261) Eligibility requirements.

- **8.3(1)** Applicants for the all Iowa opportunity scholarship program must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by the date specified in the application instructions and any additional applications or documents required by the commission. In addition to completing the FAFSA, an applicant must be:
- a. An Iowa resident who begins his or her initial period of postsecondary enrollment within two academic years of graduation from high school;
- b. An Iowa high school graduate who graduated from high school with at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 grade scale or its equivalent student with at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent; and
- c. Enrolled for at least three semester hours, or the trimester or quarter equivalent, in a program eligible for federal student aid under Title IV of the federal Higher Education Act leading to an undergraduate degree, diploma, or certificate from an eligible college or university.
- **8.3(2)** To maintain eligibility, recipients must maintain satisfactory academic progress as defined by the eligible college or university.
- **8.3(3)** Individuals who have military obligations may delay the initial period of enrollment for up to four academic years beyond high school graduation or must begin postsecondary enrollment within two academic years of discharge. Exceptions for health or other personal reasons for delaying the initial period of enrollment will be reviewed by commission staff on a case-by-case basis.

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